

Live News and Fresh Gossip From the Cities and Towns of Virginia

POLITICS QUET NOW

Col. J. R. Waddy Has Been Confirmed by the Senate.

MAJ. BANKS TAKES OATH

Discussion Now Centres Around S. B. Carney's Chances of Holding on to His Position as Assistant Postmaster—Opposed Waddy.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 5.—Republican politics is quiet here now. The contest over the great office is settled. Colonel J. R. Waddy was confirmed by the Senate yesterday and Major R. G. Banks got his commission and took the oath of office before Mayor J. G. Riddick yesterday afternoon. There is still some anxiety as to the appointment of an assistant, on account of the fact that S. B. Carney, the present assistant postmaster, was opposed to the reappointment of Colonel Waddy, because he wanted the office for himself. Colonel Waddy is supposed to have some influence in the appointment of an assistant, but he has declared he would not say anything about the subject, to the public at least, until he has received his own commission. Meantime the rumor is that Colonel Waddy could not get that, till he had practically committed himself to agree to the retention of Mr. Carney. That was the understanding, for the members of the organization who opposed the appointment of Colonel Waddy. One of the most influential Republicans here said he had assurances from Washington to the effect that the arrangement was that Waddy could stay unless he was willing to have Carney stay with him. But nothing is certain till it is settled, and that is not settled yet.

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who offered her testimony for the benefit of the husband after he had brought the suit for divorce, which was granted, gave damaging testimony against Davidson this afternoon.

RATES REDUCED

New Schedule of Phone Prices in Highland County.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

MONTICELLO, VA., Feb. 5.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Monterey and Staunton Telephone Company was held last Saturday afternoon. The following officers were elected: J. C. Matheny, president; F. Glen Maury, secretary and treasurer; E. H. McClinton, general manager. Directors elected were J. A. Jones, L. Trimble, H. H. Slaven, S. W. Stewart and John J. Hiner.

On motion, the treasurer was authorized by the stockholders to pay to E. M. Arbogast three hundred dollars for the sixteen miles of line owned by him between Hightown and Travelers' Rest, Va.

Messages were reduced as follows: Any point in the county, ten cents, instead of fifteen as heretofore, and in adjoining counties fifteen cents, and beyond that, twenty-five cents.

This change will take effect after the first of March next.

Mr. W. A. Slips returned Sunday from a trip from Harrisonburg, where he went in search of a suitable building for a hotel. He was very much elated over the success in finding the building, and his purpose, and hopes to be able to take charge of the hotel about April 1st.

Mr. Slips is now the present proprietor of the Hotel Commercial here, which he has successfully conducted for a good many years.

TIMBER LAND SOLD

Large Number of Marriage Licenses Issued in Mecklenburg.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHESAPE, VA., February 5.—A tract of about eleven hundred acres, belonging to Captain W. W. Davies, about six miles of this place, was sold to some lumbermen from Ohio yesterday for \$5,000. It is chiefly in timber.

There is a great demand in this locality for oak and pine timbers, and buyers are numerous.

The number of marriage licenses issued by the clerk of Mecklenburg for 1902 exceeded any previous year. In 1901, the number of marriages was 239, of which 10 were whites and 129 colored. In 1902 there were 251, of which 109 were whites and 142 colored. County population, whites, 10,363; colored, 16,198.

Judge W. R. Barksdale, of Halifax, is sojourning at the Mecklenburg Hotel for his health. Apparently he only needs a little recreation, and is on the streets every day.

The postoffice receipts at this place continue to increase, and volume of business each quarter shows improvement.

The Virginia Furniture Company will erect a new store building, and will erect. Sufficient capital subscribed to insure the success of the enterprise. Maximum capital, \$25,000.

FROM CLARKSVILLE

Tobacco is Looking Up and the Farmers Are Busy Again.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CLARKSVILLE, VA., February 5.—Tobacco is "looking up," as the buyers express it, and all other business here is "looking up" with it. The farmers have finished their January hibernating and are bringing in their tobacco again. The latter part of last week saw more business done than any two weeks since Christmas.

Mr. Sam Davis, of the firm of C. S. Wood & Company, hardware dealers, has recently bought out the firm, and will continue the business under his own name.

Another new business started here recently is the firm of Jones & Adkins, grocers.

Mr. Cabell Wood, tobaccoist, has just completed his five-story prison, and tobacco will be hung in it this week.

Just now there is a dearth of buildings in Clarksville.

Since the town was wiped out by fire in 1892 several fine business lots have been left to grow up in the town, and the demand for buildings is rapidly filling up these blank spaces.

RULERS OF THE WORLD.

Meat Eating Nations Are the Leaders in Every Branch of Human Achievement.

The ruling nations of the world are meat eaters and history records that they always have been.

Vegetarians and food cranks may explain this in any way they choose, but the facts remain that the Americans, English, French, Russians and Germans are meat eating nations, and they are also the most energetic and most progressive.

The principal food of the heroic Boer soldier, known as Biltong, is a sort of dried beef, affording a great deal of nourishment in a highly concentrated form.

The weak races of people are the rice eating Chinese, Hindus and Siamese, regarded since the dawn of history as non-progressive, superstitious and inferior physically and mentally to the meat eating nations who dominate them.

The structure of the teeth, mainly incisors, in the human being should subsist upon a variety of food, meat, fruit and grains, and it is unhygienic to confine one's diet to any one of these classes to the exclusion of the others.

Meat is the most concentrated and most easily digested of foods, but our manner of living is often so unnatural that the digestive organs refuse to properly digest meat, eggs and similar nutritious and wholesome food, but it is not because such food is unwholesome, but the real reason is that the stomach lacks, from disease or weakness, some necessary digestive element; hence arising indigestion and later on, chronic dyspepsia.

Nervous people should eat plenty of meat, convalescents should make meat the principal food, hard working people have to do so, and brain workers and men of letters should eat, not so much meat, but at least once a day and to insure its perfect digestion one or two of Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets should be taken after each meal, because they supply the peptic juices, and thus aid in lacking in every case of stomach trouble.

Nervous dyspepsia, catarrh of stomach, gastritis, sour stomach, gas and acidity are all different names for indigestion, the failure to digest wholesome food, and the use of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets cures them all because by affording perfect digestion the stomach has a chance to rest and recover its natural tone and vigor.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets is the real household medicine; it is as safe and pleasant for the stomach as the baby's as it is for the imperfect digestion of the grown man.

They are not a cathartic, but a digestive and no pill habit can ever follow their use; the only habit Stuart's Tablets induce is the habit of good digestion and consequently good health.

The trial was not concluded to-day. Davidson is a member of the City Council, owns several saloons and has been prominent in politics and in the affairs of the city. All the evidence in this case could not be finished to-day, hence the trial will be resumed to-morrow. There are many witnesses to be examined, and some of them are women. Mrs. Fish-

His family will go from here to Hampton, thence to Richmond, to reside permanently.

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A PELHAM ELOPEMENT

Miss Ethel Sossoman, of Chatham, Bride of Mr. Moyer.

MUCH SECRECY OBSERVED

Both Have Been Living at Otham, but Will Make Their Future Home in Boston—Mr. Moyer a Native of Franklin County.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., February 5.—Mr. S. P. Moyer and Miss Ethel Sossoman, both of Chatham, eloped from this city yesterday evening, returning to this city last night.

Mr. Moyer came here Tuesday and took the Royal Arch degree in Euclid Chapter, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons. He gave no intimation of his approaching marriage to his Masonic brethren. In fact, the utmost secrecy was observed during the entire affair, even the hotel clerk being cautioned not to chat about communicating the fact of their presence.

The elopement, however, seems to have been premeditatedly arranged. At any rate, pretty Miss Ethel Sossoman, who is a general favorite in the society circle of the county seat. The news of her marriage will be a complete surprise to her friends. Her family relations are among the most prominent people in the county. Her father is a traveling man and is at present on the road.

The groom is a native of Franklin county. He is at present located at Chatham, but will leave at an early date to accept a position at the hotel to which he is traveling. He and his bride will make their home in Boston.

The bride is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sossoman, of Chatham, and is a general favorite in the society circle of the county seat. The news of her marriage will be a complete surprise to her friends. Her family relations are among the most prominent people in the county. Her father is a traveling man and is at present on the road.

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attestational Convention from Lanesburg. An elegant reception was given the bride party and invited guests at the home of the bride's parents last night.

Nugent—Wells.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., Feb. 5.—Mr. Donnell W. Nugent and Miss Claude Wells were married at 7:30 o'clock this evening at the residence of Rev. P. W. Moore on Harrison Street. Mr. Nugent was formerly of Petersburg, but is now in the U. S. Army, at Fort Monmouth, N. J. Miss Wells is the daughter of Mr. Thomas J. Wells, of this city. The couple will live in Richmond.

West—Bragg.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., February 5.—Miss Bettie Bragg and Mr. Claude Wells were married yesterday afternoon at Butterworth Church, in Dinwiddie county. Rev. James Cannon and the Rev. M. C. Higgins, of Smith Mountain, officiated. The bride is the daughter of A. B. Bragg, a prominent merchant of Darville, Dinwiddie county, and the groom is a railroad conductor from Dakota. The couple left for Dakota immediately after the ceremony.

Wheeler—Grinnell.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PULASKI, VA., February 5.—Mr. Albert Sidney Johnston Wheeler and Miss Janette Grinnell, step-daughter of Mr. John Grinnell, of this place, were married in the ball room at the Maple Shade Inn yesterday. Rev. William Ambrose Brown, of the Episcopal Church, officiated. The wedding was a very quiet one, only a few friends being present. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler will reside at Max Meadows, Va.

Heggie—Butler.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHESAPE, VA., February 5.—Mrs. Sarah J. Butler was married here yesterday evening at the Barnett Hotel to Mr. C. C. Heggie, of Smith Mountain, Va. Rev. H. T. Williams, of the Baptist Church, officiated. They left on the afternoon train for the home of the groom, in North Carolina.

Frazier—Turner.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., February 5.—Miss Annie Turner, of Lynchburg, and Floyd Frazier, of Lynchburg Station, eloped to Pelham, N. C., last night and were married.

Mitchell—Delbridge.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LAWRENCEVILLE, VA., February 5.—W. B. Mitchell, one of the prominent young business men of this county, and Miss Jessie Delbridge were married last night. A delightful reception was given the young couple at the Lawrenceville Hotel.

Simpson—Bunting.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., February 5.—Mr. William Simpson and Miss Mary A. Bunting, of Norfolk, eloped to Camden county, N. C., where they were married.

Wedding Cards.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., February 5.—Cards have been received here for the marriage of Mr. Charles Franklin Blackburn, of Stafford county, to Miss Mary Goode Bayton, daughter of Rev. T. J. Bayton, of Portsmouth, Va., the ceremony to take place at the home of the bride on Tuesday, February 17th, at 6 o'clock P. M.

Appointed Battalion Adjutant.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DANVILLE, VA., February 5.—Captain Samuel A. Shadrach, who recently resigned the command of the Danville Light Infantry, has been offered the position of adjutant of the Third Battalion of the 10th Cavalry, at Camp Greaser, North Carolina. Captain Shadrach has not yet been notified that his resignation has been accepted. The appointment will probably be made without examination. If the resignation has been accepted, the appointment will go into effect without consideration of former service.

Killed by Coal Train.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 5.—Andrew Wright, a respected colored man, sixty years old, was struck and killed by a Norfolk and Western coal train late last night. The body was found on the track near Goff Street and did not hear the train.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SOUTHERN STUDENTS

Conference in Regard to Selection of Men for the Cecil Rhodes Fellowship.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., Feb. 5.—Dr. P. B. Barringer, of the University of Virginia, has returned from Atlanta, where he went to attend a conference of Southern educators on the Cecil Rhodes scholarship plan. A resolution was adopted outlining the plan to be applied to scholars in the Southern States who wish to take advantage of the Rhodes fund. The plan is as follows: That the chancellor of the State university of each Southern State appoint a committee, consisting of from three to five members from the leading educational institutions of the State, the chancellor appointing the committee to be chairman and ex-officio member. Two candidates in each State (one selected each year) may be presented. Each candidate to be not less than nineteen years of age and not more than twenty-four years of age, and to have been a student for three years in the collegiate department of some American college, whose studies are in accordance with the requirements of the trustees. The candidate must apply from the State of which he is a legal resident.

In discussing the conference to-day, Dr. Barringer said that Cecil Rhodes never dreamed what a boom he was giving the study of Greek in the South. The applicant must show his ability to measure up to the Oxford matriculation—that is, he must be able to pass the requisite examination, and this includes a knowledge of Greek.

The endowment of the scholarship is \$1,200 per year, good for three years. It is understood that two-thirds of the annual sum is set aside for expenses at Oxford, and one-half for summer travel and other expenses. The first election will occur in the first part of the year 1904, the men to appear at Oxford in October of that year.

One of the amusing incidents that came out at the Atlanta conference was that the Governor of Colorado, having been disturbed in his sleep by the sound of a young man as his applicant for this scholarship.

Purdy—Hardy

LUNENBURG COURTHOUSE, VA., February 5.—A very fashionable wedding took place yesterday at Olive Branch Church, near Tinklin, in this county, when Dr. James J. Purdy, of Spotsylvania county, and Miss Mary Eugenia Hardy were married.

The bride is the daughter of the Hon. L. A. Hardy, late member of the Congress.

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., February 5.—Mrs. C. B. Chapman gave a 5 o'clock tea yesterday in honor of Miss M. Buma, of Madison, Wis. Those present were Mrs.

J. B. C. Spencer, Mrs. R. Ball, Mrs. E. J. Baker, Mrs. J. Walker, Mrs. W. J. King, Mrs. R. M. Smith, Mrs. Hugh B. Bird, Mrs. U. L. Henley, Miss V. P. Wiles, Miss Ida D. Henley, Miss Annie Stubb, Miss Mervin Smith, Miss Mary Waller Marcor, and Mrs. C. B. Chapman and daughter.

Mr. R. Towley, who recently purchased "Isiglans," York county, will bring his family here next week from Madison, Wis.

Mrs. R. M. Smith will give a reception Friday evening from 8 to 12 o'clock. Many guests are invited.

Rev. William A. R. Goodwin, who recently accepted the call to Bruton Parish Church, will take charge of his duties here on February 15th. The rectory is being renovated.

Mrs. C. B. Chapman and daughter left this morning for Washington, to spend the remainder of this month.

ELECTION IS ORDERED

Judge Waller Sets April 14 as Date for Local Option Fight

SCARCITY OF GOOD LABOR

Many Inquiries for Real Estate Received at Fredericksburg from Men in the North and Northwest Who Would Move to Virginia.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., February 5.—Judge R. E. Waller, of the County Court of Spotsylvania county, in response to the largely signed petitions presented in his